

## AUDITING PROCEDURES REPORT

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| Local Government Type<br><input type="checkbox"/> City <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Other |                                   | Local Government Name<br><b>TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN</b>              | County<br><b>ALCONA</b> |
| Audit Date<br><b>03/31/2005</b>   | Opinion Date<br><b>05/06/2005</b> | Date Accountant Report Submitted to State:<br><b>06/27/2005</b> |                         |

We have audited the financial statements of this local unit of government and rendered an opinion on financial statements prepared in accordance with the Statements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the *Uniform Reporting Format for Financial Statements for Counties and Local Units of Government in Michigan* by the Michigan Department of Treasury.

We affirm that:

1. We have complied with the *Bulletin for the Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan* as revised.
2. We are certified public accountants registered to practice in Michigan.


We further affirm the following. "Yes" responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the report of comments and recommendations

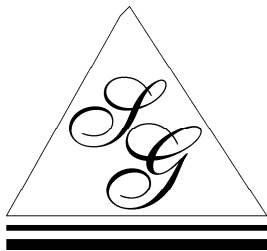
You must check the applicable box for each item below.

- ☐ yes ☒ no 1. Certain component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are excluded from the financial statements.
- ☐ yes ☒ no 2. There are accumulated deficits in one or more of this unit's unreserved fund balances/retained earnings (P.A. 275 of 1980).
- ☒ yes ☐ no 3. There are instances of non-compliance with the Uniform Accounting and Budgeting Act (P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended).
- ☐ yes ☒ no 4. The local unit has violated the conditions of either an order issued under the Municipal Finance Act or its requirements, or an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act.
- ☐ yes ☒ no 5. The local unit holds deposits/investments which do not comply with statutory requirements. (P.A. 20 of 1943, as amended [MCL 129.91], or P.A. 55 of 1982, as amended [MCL 38.1132]).
- ☐ yes ☒ no 6. The local unit has been delinquent in distributing tax revenues that were collected for another taxing unit.
- ☒ yes ☐ no 7. The local unit has violated the Constitutional requirement (Article 9, Section 24) to fund current year earned pension benefits (normal costs) in the current year. If the plan is more than 100% funded and the overfunding credits are more than the normal cost requirement, no contributions are due (paid during the year).
- ☐ yes ☒ no 8. The local unit uses credit cards and has not adopted an applicable policy as required by P.A. 266 of 1995 (MCL 129.241).
- ☐ yes ☒ no 9. The local unit has not adopted an investment policy as required by P.A. 196 of 1997 (MCL 129.95).

### We have enclosed the following:

|   | Enclosed | To Be Forwarded | Not Required |
|---|----------|-----------------|--------------|
| The letter of comments and recommendations.                                   | ✓        |                 |              |
| Reports on individual federal financial assistance programs (program audits). |          |                 | ✓            |
| Single Audit Reports (ASLGU).   |          |                 | ✓            |

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TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
ALCONA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

AUDITORS' REPORT  
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

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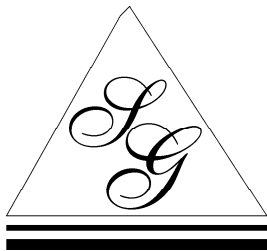
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May 6, 2005

## Independent Auditors' Report

Members of the Township Board  
Township of Gustin  
Alcona County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise a portion of the Township's basic financial statements required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described more fully in Note 2, management has not presented the management discussion and analysis and the government-wide financial statements to display the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the presentation of the management discussion and analysis and the government-wide financial statements. The amounts that would be reported in the government-wide financial statements for the Township's governmental activities is not reasonably determinable.

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial statements of the omissions described in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, as of March 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 6, 2005, on our consideration of the Township of Gustin's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

As described in Note 2, the Township of Gustin has partially implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*, as of March 31, 2005.

The budgetary comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
March 31, 2005

|                                    |                   |                   |                  | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds  |                                |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                    | General           | Road<br>Fund      | Cemetery<br>Fund | Building<br>Improvement<br>Fund | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
| <u>ASSETS</u>                      |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3) | \$ 121,924        | \$ 56,596         | \$ 5,773         | \$ 1,373                        | \$ 185,666                     |
| Taxes receivable                   | 1,672             | 4,482             | 0                | 0                               | 6,154                          |
| Due from local units               | 0                 | 17,213            | 0                | 0                               | 17,213                         |
| Due from other funds (Note 5)      | <u>15,332</u>     | <u>32,975</u>     | <u>0</u>         | <u>0</u>                        | <u>48,307</u>                  |
| Total Assets                       | <u>\$ 138,928</u> | <u>\$ 111,266</u> | <u>\$ 5,773</u>  | <u>\$ 1,373</u>                 | <u>\$ 257,340</u>              |
| <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u> |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| <u>Liabilities</u>                 |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| Accrued liabilities                | \$ 521            | \$ 0              | \$ 0             | \$ 0                            | \$ 521                         |
| Due to other funds (Note 5)        | <u>0</u>          | <u>0</u>          | <u>92</u>        | <u>0</u>                        | <u>92</u>                      |
| Total liabilities                  | <u>521</u>        | <u>0</u>          | <u>92</u>        | <u>0</u>                        | <u>613</u>                     |
| <u>Fund Equity</u>                 |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| Fund balances:                     |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| Unreserved:                        |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| Undesignated, reported in:         |                   |                   |                  |                                 |                                |
| General fund                       | 138,407           | 0                 | 0                | 0                               | 138,407                        |
| Special revenue funds              | <u>0</u>          | <u>111,266</u>    | <u>5,681</u>     | <u>1,373</u>                    | <u>118,320</u>                 |
| Total fund equity                  | <u>138,407</u>    | <u>111,266</u>    | <u>5,681</u>     | <u>1,373</u>                    | <u>256,727</u>                 |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Equity  | <u>\$ 138,928</u> | <u>\$ 111,266</u> | <u>\$ 5,773</u>  | <u>\$ 1,373</u>                 | <u>\$ 257,340</u>              |

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

|   | General           | Road<br>Fund      | Cemetery<br>Fund | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds<br>Building<br>Improvement<br>Fund | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <u>Revenue</u>  |                   |                   |                  |   |                                |
| Current property taxes  | \$ 16,049         | \$ 54,563         | \$ 0             | \$ 0  | \$ 70,612                      |
| Taxes - other   | 4,419             | 0                 | 0                | 0   | 4,419                          |
| Federal revenue   | 1,176             | 0                 | 0                | 0   | 1,176                          |
| State revenue   | 44,762            | 2,376             | 0                | 0   | 47,138                         |
| Sale of cemetery lots   | 0                 | 0                 | 1,050            | 0   | 1,050                          |
| Licenses and permits  | 330               | 0                 | 0                | 0   | 330                            |
| Interest and rentals  | 1,318             | 1,305             | 27               | 17  | 2,667                          |
| Other revenue   | 49                | 0                 | 300              | 0   | 349                            |
| Total revenue   | <u>68,103</u>     | <u>58,244</u>     | <u>1,377</u>     | <u>17</u>   | <u>127,741</u>                 |
| <u>Expenditures</u>   |                   |                   |                  |   |                                |
| Current:  |                   |                   |                  |   |                                |
| General government  | 46,477            | 0                 | 4,678            | 0   | 51,155                         |
| Public safety   | 10,626            | 0                 | 0                | 0   | 10,626                         |
| Public works  | 10,618            | 58,843            | 0                | 0   | 69,461                         |
| Community and economic development  | 3,896             | 0                 | 0                | 0   | 3,896                          |
| Other   | 8,633             | 0                 | 0                | 0   | 8,633                          |
| Capital outlay  | 0                 | 0                 | 0                | 6,272   | 6,272                          |
| Total expenditures  | <u>80,250</u>     | <u>58,843</u>     | <u>4,678</u>     | <u>6,272</u>  | <u>150,043</u>                 |
| Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures                                     | <u>(12,147)</u>   | <u>(599)</u>      | <u>(3,301)</u>   | <u>(6,255)</u>  | <u>(22,302)</u>                |
| <u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>   |                   |                   |                  |   |                                |
| Operating transfers in  | 0                 | 0                 | 5,000            | 0   | 5,000                          |
| Operating transfers out   | (5,000)           | 0                 | 0                | 0   | (5,000)                        |
| Total other financing sources (uses)  | <u>(5,000)</u>    | <u>0</u>          | <u>5,000</u>     | <u>0</u>  | <u>0</u>                       |
| Excess of revenue and other sources over<br>(under) expenditures and other uses | <u>(17,147)</u>   | <u>(599)</u>      | <u>1,699</u>     | <u>(6,255)</u>  | <u>(22,302)</u>                |
| Fund balances - beginning of year   | <u>155,554</u>    | <u>111,865</u>    | <u>3,982</u>     | <u>7,628</u>  | <u>279,029</u>                 |
| Fund balances - end of year   | <u>\$ 138,407</u> | <u>\$ 111,266</u> | <u>\$ 5,681</u>  | <u>\$ 1,373</u>   | <u>\$ 256,727</u>              |

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, MichiganSTATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS  
FIDUCIARY FUND  
March 31, 2005

|                                    | <u>Tax<br/>Account</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <u>ASSETS</u>                      |                        |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3) | <u>\$ 426,219</u>      |
| <u>LIABILITIES</u>                 |                        |
| Due to local units                 | \$ 375,847             |
| Due to others                      | 2,157                  |
| Due to other funds (Note 5)        | <u>48,215</u>          |
| Total Liabilities                  | <u>\$ 426,219</u>      |

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Township of Gustin have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies.

A. Description of Township Operations and Fund Types

The Township of Gustin operates under an elected Township Board (five members) and provides services to its residents in many areas, including road maintenance and fire protection.

The Township's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, except as noted in Note 2. All activities over which the Township exercises oversight responsibility have been included in the reporting entity. Oversight responsibility is determined by factors such as financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters of the entity.

B. Fund Accounting

The Township uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. There are two categories of funds: governmental and fiduciary.

**Governmental Funds**

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Township are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the Township's major governmental funds:

General Fund - This fund is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The fund includes the general operating expenditures of the Township. Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes, state and federal distributions, and other intergovernmental revenues.

Special Revenue Funds – These funds are used to account for specific governmental revenues (other than major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action.

The other governmental funds of the Township account for interest and other resources whose use is restricted for a particular purpose; the accumulation of resources for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

**Fiduciary Fund**

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. This fund is used to account for assets held in trust or as an agent for others, and consists of the Current Tax Collection Fund.



TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Presentation

The Township's basic financial statements consist of fund financial statements which provide a detailed level of financial information.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Township segregates transactions related to certain Township functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Township at a detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. All of the Township's funds are considered major funds, except for the Building Improvement Fund. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balances reflects the sources (i.e., revenues and other financial sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financial uses) of current financial resources.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues – Exchange and Nonexchange Transactions:

On the modified accrual basis, revenue is recognized in the year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means the resources will be collected within the current year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. For the Township, available means expected to be received within 60 days after year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Township receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the Township must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Township on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered both measurable and available at year end: charges for services, licenses and permits, state-levied locally share taxes (including sales tax), grants, interest and rent.

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Expenditures:

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

E. Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For presentation on the financial statements, investments in cash management pools and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Township are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

G. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The Township normally follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. The Township clerk submits a proposed operating budget to the Township Board which includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. A public hearing is conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to April 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.

All budget appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary amounts reported herein are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Township Board.

Budgets shown in the financial statements are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles, and consist only of those amounts contained in the formal budget approved and amended by the Township Board.

H. Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

NOTE 2 - CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

For 2004, the Township has implemented, with exceptions as noted below, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement Number 33 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions," as amended by Statement Number 36 "Recipient Reporting for Certain Shared Non-Exchange Revenue," which establishes standards for recording non-exchange transactions on the modified accrual and accrual basis of accounting; GASB Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements -and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments"; GASB Statement No. 37, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus"; GASB Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures"; and GASB Interpretation No. 6, "Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Financial Statements".

GASB Statement No. 34 creates new basic financial statements for reporting on the Township's financial activities. The financial statements include government-wide financial statements prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and fund financial statements which present information for individual major funds rather than by fund type. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type. The government-wide financial statements split the programs between governmental activities and business-type activities.

The Township did not adopt GASB 34 and GASB 37 in its entirety, as permitted by the Local Audit and Finance Division of the Treasury Department of the State of Michigan (State of Michigan), because the Township believes that the cost of implementing the statements may exceed the benefit of the additional information. The Township also believes that the omissions of the Management Discussion and Analysis, Government-wide Financial Statements and certain permitted note disclosures were not material to the statements as a whole due to the disclosure of the fixed assets in a separate note in this report. These amounts are not included as account groups in the fund statement, as in the past, per the requirements of GASB 34.

GASB Statement No. 37 makes certain clarifications regarding escheat property and modifies several provisions of GASB Statement No. 34. GASB Statement No. 38 modifies, establishes, and rescinds certain financial statement disclosure requirements.

GASB Interpretation No. 6 clarifies the application of standards for modified accrual recognition of certain liabilities and expenditures in areas where differences have arisen, or potentially could arise, in interpretation and practice.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

At year-end, the Township's deposits and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

|                           | <u>Governmental<br/>Activities</u> | <u>Fiduciary<br/>Funds</u> | <u>Total Primary<br/>Government</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | <u>\$ 185,666</u>                  | <u>\$ 426,219</u>          | <u>\$ 611,885</u>                   |

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The breakdown between deposits and investments is as follows:

|   | <u>Primary<br/>Government</u> |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Bank Deposits (checking)                    | \$ 61,255                     |
| Investments in Municipal Investment Account |                               |
| Pooled Funds                                | <u>550,630</u>                |
| Total                                       | <u>\$ 611,885</u>             |

Deposits:

Deposits are carried at cost. Deposits of the Township are held at various banks in the name of the Township. At March 31, 2005, the carrying amounts of the Township's deposits were classified to risk as follows:

|                | <u>Carrying<br/>Amount</u> | <u>Bank<br/>Balance</u> |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Insured (FDIC) | <u>\$ 61,255</u>           | <u>\$ 61,696</u>        |

Investments:

The Township Board has adopted an investment policy in accordance with Act 196, PA 1997 which authorizes the Township to deposit and invest in the following:

- \* Accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions and savings and loan associations
- \* Bonds and other direct obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States
- \* United States government or federal agency obligation repurchase agreements
- \* Banker's acceptances of United States banks
- \* Commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications by not less than two standard rating services which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase
- \* Mutual funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, Title I of Chapter 686, 54 Stat. 789 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 to 80a-3 and 80a-4 to 80a-64 with the authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a public corporation

Michigan law requires that public funds may not be deposited in financial institutions that do not maintain an office in Michigan. The Township's deposits and investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

TOWNSHIP OF GUSTIN  
Alcona County, Michigan

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NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments: (Continued)

The Township's investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Township at March 31, 2005. The categories are described as follows:

Category 1 - Insured or registered, with securities held by the entity or its agent in the entity's name.

Category 2 - Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the entity's name.

Category 3 - Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or its trust department or agent but not in the entity's name.

At March 31, 2005, the Township's investments consisted of municipal investment pools, which are not required to be categorized with a carrying amount and market value of \$550,630.

NOTE 4 - UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

The Township is subject to the Michigan Employment Security Act and has elected the reimbursement method of financing. Under this method, the Township must reimburse the Employment Agency for all benefits charged against the Township. No liabilities have been incurred as of March 31, 2005.

NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES WITHIN THE REPORTING ENTITY

The amounts of interfund receivables and payables as of March 31, 2005 were as follows:

| <u>Fund</u>                    | <u>Interfund<br/>Receivable</u> | <u>Interfund<br/>Payable</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Major Governmental Funds:      |                                 |                              |
| General Fund                   | \$ 15,332                       | \$ 0                         |
| Road Fund                      | 32,975                          | 0                            |
| Cemetery Fund                  | <u>0</u>                        | <u>92</u>                    |
| Total Major Governmental Funds | <u>48,307</u>                   | <u>92</u>                    |
| Fiduciary Funds                | <u>0</u>                        | <u>48,215</u>                |
| Total                          | <u>\$ 48,307</u>                | <u>\$ 48,307</u>             |

The amounts of interfund receivables and payables for the primary government as of March 31, 2005 were as follows:

| <u>Fund</u>  | <u>Interfund<br/>Receivable</u> | <u>Fund</u>   | <u>Interfund<br/>Payable</u> |
|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| General Fund | \$ 15,240                       | Tax Account   | \$ 15,240                    |
| General Fund | 92                              | Cemetery Fund | 92                           |
| Road Fund    | <u>32,975</u>                   | Tax Account   | <u>32,975</u>                |
| Total        | <u>\$ 48,307</u>                | Total         | <u>\$ 48,307</u>             |

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NOTE 6 - EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS IN BUDGETARY FUNDS

P.A. 621 of 1978, Section 18(1), as amended, provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated.

In the body of the financial statements, the Township's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures have been shown on an activity basis. The approved budgets of the Township for these budgetary funds were adopted to the activity level.

During the year ended March 31, 2005, the Township incurred expenditures in the General Fund which were in excess of the amounts appropriated, as follows:

| <u>Fund/Function</u>    | <u>Total Appropriations</u> | <u>Amount of Expenditures</u> | <u>Budget Variance</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| General Fund:           |                             |                               |                        |
| Operating transfers out | \$ 0                        | \$ 5,000                      | \$ 5,000               |

NOTE 7 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property and tangible personal property located in the Township. Properties are assessed as of December 31 and the related property taxes become a lien on December 1 of the following year. These taxes are due on February 14 with the final collection date of February 28 before they are added to the County tax rolls. For the current year, the taxable value for properties located within the Township was \$27,613,116. The tax rates were .6916 mills for operations and 1.98 mills for roads.

NOTE 8 - OPERATING TRANSFERS

During the year ended March 31, 2005, the following transfers were made:

| <u>Description</u>        | <u>Operating Transfers In</u> | <u>Operating Transfers Out</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>Major Funds</u>        |                               |                                |
| Major Governmental Funds: |                               |                                |
| General Fund              | \$ 0                          | \$ 5,000                       |
| Cemetery Fund             | <u>5,000</u>                  | <u>0</u>                       |
| Total Major Funds         | <u>\$ 5,000</u>               | <u>\$ 5,000</u>                |

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NOTE 8 - OPERATING TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)

During the year ended March 31, 2005, the following individual fund transfers were made:

| <u>Fund</u>   | <u>Operating<br/>Transfers In</u> | <u>Fund</u>  | <u>Operating<br/>Transfers Out</u> |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Cemetery Fund | <u>\$ 5,000</u>                   | General Fund | <u>\$ 5,000</u>                    |

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and use unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

NOTE 9 - CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

|                         | <u>Balance<br/>April 1, 2004</u> | <u>Additions</u> | <u>Deletions</u> | <u>Balance<br/>March 31, 2005</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Land                    | \$ 15,630                        | \$ 0             | \$ 0             | \$ 15,630                         |
| Buildings               | 79,401                           | 0                | 0                | 79,401                            |
| Machinery and equipment | <u>14,698</u>                    | <u>5,850</u>     | <u>0</u>         | <u>20,548</u>                     |
|                         | <u>\$ 109,729</u>                | <u>\$ 5,850</u>  | <u>\$ 0</u>      | <u>\$ 115,579</u>                 |

The Township has opted to disclose these assets in order to maintain their identity and related costs.

NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. The Township continues to carry commercial insurance for risks of loss. Settled claims for the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



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STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
 GENERAL FUND  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

|   | Original<br>Budget | Final<br>Amended<br>Budget | Actual            | Variance -<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| <u>Revenue</u>  |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Current property taxes  | \$ 7,500           | \$ 7,500                   | \$ 16,049         | \$ 8,549                                 |
| Taxes - other   | 1,300              | 1,300                      | 4,419             | 3,119                                    |
| Federal revenue   | 0                  | 0                          | 1,176             | 1,176                                    |
| State revenue   | 46,000             | 46,000                     | 44,762            | (1,238)                                  |
| Licenses and permits  | 180                | 180                        | 330               | 150                                      |
| Interest and rentals  | 1,258              | 1,258                      | 1,318             | 60                                       |
| Other revenue   | <u>0</u>           | <u>0</u>                   | <u>49</u>         | <u>49</u>                                |
| Total revenue   | <u>56,238</u>      | <u>56,238</u>              | <u>68,103</u>     | <u>11,865</u>                            |
| <u>Expenditures</u>   |                    |                            |                   |  |
| General government  |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Township board  | 8,800              | 8,800                      | 7,703             | 1,097                                    |
| Supervisor  | 3,600              | 3,600                      | 3,418             | 182                                      |
| Elections   | 3,500              | 3,500                      | 1,644             | 1,856                                    |
| Legal and audit   | 950                | 950                        | 725               | 225                                      |
| Assessor  | 6,700              | 6,700                      | 6,700             | 0  |
| Board of review   | 1,000              | 1,000                      | 760               | 240                                      |
| Clerk   | 9,900              | 9,900                      | 8,716             | 1,184                                    |
| Treasurer   | 13,200             | 13,200                     | 11,461            | 1,739                                    |
| Township hall   | 3,860              | 3,860                      | 2,686             | 1,174                                    |
| Other general government                                      | 2,700              | 2,700                      | 2,664             | 36                                       |
| Public safety   |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Fire protection   | 11,000             | 11,000                     | 10,626            | 374                                      |
| Public works  |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Highways, streets and bridges                                 | 14,700             | 14,700                     | 10,406            | 4,294                                    |
| Street lighting   | 300                | 300                        | 212               | 88                                       |
| Community and economic development                            |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Planning and zoning   | 4,800              | 4,800                      | 3,896             | 904                                      |
| Other   |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Insurance   | 7,000              | 7,000                      | 5,881             | 1,119                                    |
| Employee benefits   | 3,500              | 3,500                      | 2,752             | 748                                      |
| Contingency   | <u>1,000</u>       | <u>1,000</u>               | <u>0</u>          | <u>1,000</u>                             |
| Total expenditures  | <u>96,510</u>      | <u>96,510</u>              | <u>80,250</u>     | <u>16,260</u>                            |
| Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures                   | (40,272)           | (40,272)                   | (12,147)          | 28,125                                   |
| <u>Other Financing Uses</u>                                   |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Operating transfers out                                       | <u>0</u>           | <u>0</u>                   | <u>(5,000)</u>    | <u>(5,000)</u>                           |
| Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures<br>and other uses | (40,272)           | (40,272)                   | (17,147)          | 23,125                                   |
| Fund balances - beginning of year                             | <u>155,554</u>     | <u>155,554</u>             | <u>155,554</u>    | <u>0</u>                                 |
| Fund balances - end of year                                   | <u>\$ 115,282</u>  | <u>\$ 115,282</u>          | <u>\$ 138,407</u> | <u>\$ 23,125</u>                         |

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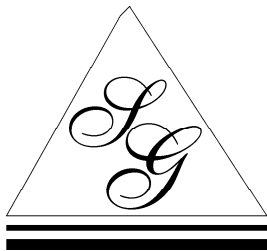
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
 ROAD FUND  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

|   | Original<br>Budget | Final<br>Amended<br>Budget | Actual            | Variance -<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| <u>Revenue</u>                              |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Current property taxes                      | \$ 43,000          | \$ 43,000                  | \$ 54,563         | \$ 11,563                                |
| State revenue                               | 0                  | 0                          | 2,376             | 2,376                                    |
| Interest                                    | 1,220              | 1,220                      | 1,305             | 85                                       |
| Total revenue                               | <u>44,220</u>      | <u>44,220</u>              | <u>58,244</u>     | <u>14,024</u>                            |
| <u>Expenditures</u>                         |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Public works:                               |                    |                            |                   |  |
| Highways, streets and bridges               | <u>100,000</u>     | <u>100,000</u>             | <u>58,843</u>     | <u>41,157</u>                            |
| Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures | (55,780)           | (55,780)                   | (599)             | 55,181                                   |
| Fund balances - beginning of year           | <u>111,865</u>     | <u>111,865</u>             | <u>111,865</u>    | <u>0</u>                                 |
| Fund balances - end of year                 | <u>\$ 56,085</u>   | <u>\$ 56,085</u>           | <u>\$ 111,266</u> | <u>\$ 55,181</u>                         |

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STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
 CEMETERY FUND  
For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

|   | Original<br>Budget | Final<br>Amended<br>Budget | Actual          | Variance -<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| <u>Revenue</u>  |                    |                            |                 |  |
| Sale of cemetery lots   | \$ 1,600           | \$ 1,600                   | \$ 1,050        | \$ (550)                                 |
| Interest  | 17                 | 17                         | 27              | 10                                       |
| Other revenue   | <u>0</u>           | <u>0</u>                   | <u>300</u>      | <u>300</u>                               |
| Total revenue   | <u>1,617</u>       | <u>1,617</u>               | <u>1,377</u>    | <u>(240)</u>                             |
| <u>Expenditures</u>   |                    |                            |                 |  |
| General government:   |                    |                            |                 |  |
| Cemetery  | <u>6,200</u>       | <u>6,200</u>               | <u>4,678</u>    | <u>1,522</u>                             |
| Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures                   | (4,583)            | (4,583)                    | (3,301)         | 1,282                                    |
| <u>Other Financing Sources</u>                                |                    |                            |                 |  |
| Operating transfers in  | <u>0</u>           | <u>0</u>                   | <u>5,000</u>    | <u>5,000</u>                             |
| Excess of revenue and other sources over (under) expenditures | (4,583)            | (4,583)                    | 1,699           | 6,282                                    |
| Fund balances - beginning of year                             | <u>3,982</u>       | <u>3,982</u>               | <u>3,982</u>    | <u>0</u>                                 |
| Fund balances - end of year                                   | <u>\$ (601)</u>    | <u>\$ (601)</u>            | <u>\$ 5,681</u> | <u>\$ 6,282</u>                          |



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May 6, 2005

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING  
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Members of the Township Board  
Township of Gustin  
Alcona County, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Gustin as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise a portion of the Township's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 6, 2005. The report on the governmental activities was qualified because the Management Discussion and Analysis and Government-Wide Financial Statements were not included in the basic financial statements. Except as discussed in the preceding sentence, we conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township of Gustin's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted one matter involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be a reportable condition. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Township of Gustin's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. The reportable condition is described below:

Separation of Duties in the Performance of Functions

The present system of internal accounting controls does not provide for separation of duties in the performance of functions due to a limited staff size. The financial controls could be strengthened by changes in the personnel assigned to perform certain functions.

We recommend that the cash receipts and cash disbursements functions be handled by different individuals. Cash receiving should be centralized in a person without authority to sign checks, without access to noncash accounting records and not involved in reconciling bank accounts. A different person should prepare checks and reconcile the bank accounts. The cost exceeds the benefit of correcting this weakness, thus management has deemed that a corrective action is not practicable under the circumstances.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe the reportable condition described above to be a material weakness. We also noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management of the Township of Gustin in a separate letter dated May 6, 2005.

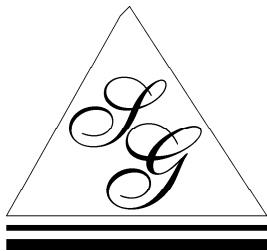
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May 6, 2005  
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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township of Gustin's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain other matters of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 6, 2005.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, Township Board and the Michigan Department of Treasury and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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May 6, 2005

Members of the Township Board  
Township of Gustin  
Alcona County, Michigan

Dear Board Members:

We have audited the financial statements of the Township of Gustin for the year ended March 31, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated May 6, 2005. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

## Our Responsibility Under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Government Auditing Standards

As stated in our engagement letter dated December 1, 2004, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting standards. Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements may exist and not be detected by us.

As part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Township of Gustin. Such consideration s were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide assurance concerning such internal control.

## Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by the Township of Gustin are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Township changed accounting policies as a result of adopting, with certain exceptions, Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statements) No. 33, 34, 36, 37 and 38, in the year ended March 31, 2005. We noted no transactions entered into by the Township of Gustin during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

## Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

## Audit Adjustments

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define an audit adjustment as a proposed correction of the financial statements that, in our judgment, may not have been detected except through our auditing procedures. An audit adjustment may or may not indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Township of Gustin's financial reporting process (that is, cause future financial statements to be materially misstated). In our judgment, none of the adjustments we proposed, whether recorded or unrecorded by the Township of Gustin, either individually or in the aggregate, indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Township of Gustin's financial reporting process.

## Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Issues Discussed Prior to Retention of Independent Auditors

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Township of Gustin's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing our audit.

Additional Information

As a result of our study and evaluation of the internal controls as described in the third paragraph and the results of our tests of compliance as described in the fourth paragraph, certain matters came to our attention upon which we would like to comment and offer the following recommendations:

Separation of Duties in the Performance of Functions

The present system of internal accounting controls does not provide for separation of duties in the performance of functions due to a limited staff size. The financial controls could be strengthened by changes in the personnel assigned to perform certain functions.

We recommend that the cash receipts and cash disbursements functions be handled by different individuals. Cash receiving should be centralized in a person without authority to sign checks, without access to noncash accounting records and not involved in reconciling bank accounts. A different person should prepare checks and reconcile the bank accounts. The cost exceeds the benefit of correcting this weakness, thus management has deemed that a corrective action is not practicable under the circumstances.

Budget Control

The Township incurred expenditures in the General Fund in excess of appropriated amounts. We recommend that the Township Board continue to review the adopted budgets on a periodic basis and amend as needed to be in compliance with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act.

Property Taxes

As a result of our audit of the property tax activity for the year, we noted that collections were not paid over in a timely manner. We recommend that all collections for other entities be disbursed within 10 business days after collection in accordance with Michigan Compiled Laws.

We wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation and courtesies extended our staff by the employees of the Township.

This information is intended solely for the use of management, Township Board and the Michigan Department of Treasury and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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